

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 16-18 are requested to be cancelled.

Claims 1, 6 and 11 are currently being amended.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-15 are now pending in this application.

Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 6 and 11 to add the words noted by the Board of Appeals at pages 12-13 of their Decision. Specifically, it has been clarified that the “calculating” is “based on a recipe” and the limitation “i) determining a variance relating to the materials due to errors or loss” has been added to each of the claims. Thus, the references are now distinguished.

Additionally, the word “raw” modifying “materials” has been deleted and it has been clarified that the invention can be used with respect to both suppliers and distributors.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully solicited.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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